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Because the five-month period from the mailing date of the Office Action dated May 11, 2004 expired on Columbus Day, Monday October 11, 2004, this Response is being timely filed on Tuesday, October 12, 2004 with a two-month extension of time. However, it is respectfully requested that, if necessary to effect a timely response, this paper be considered as a Petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response and shortages in other fees be charged, or any overpayment in fees be credited,

to the Account of Barnes & Thornburg, Deposit Account No. 10-0435 with reference to file 265280-73424.

In response to the Office Action of May 11, 2004, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.